

# Laney students, faculty rally to block land sale

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Led by elected student officers and athletic department faculty, opponents of a proposed Laney College property sale to Kaiser Permanente vowed yesterday to rally their forces in an effort to block a proposed land deal.

Peralta Community College District administrators are pushing for the sale of 24 acres at Laney College to Kaiser Permanente for construction of a new medical center by 1998.

Opponents have been busy gathering their forces this week and held a noon rally yesterday at the Laney student center. Student body president Eric Young said that all efforts would be made to prevent the proposal from passing. *Athletic Dept*

"We want the students to come together on this, to attend all the board meetings and let the trustees know how we feel," Young said. "We can't let them take away our future."

Representatives of Laney College's Native American club, the La Raza Student Union and the Pacific Islander Club have also joined in opposition, Young said.

A petition organizer said that more than 400 people have signed in opposition to the sale proposal.

"I don't think they expected to have this kind of opposition," Laney student Nicole Mantha said.

The property, which holds the school's football and baseball facilities, other athletic fields and a childcare center, is

worth at least \$23 million in a sale to Kaiser, according to district officials.

Before yesterday's campus rally, administrators met with faculty and students Tuesday afternoon, and trustees later that night held a public hearing.

"I'm confident that once the facts come out, the major benefits and few liabilities will be obvious," said Howard Perdue, district dean of admissions, records and marketing. "Generally speaking, this is an extraordinary opportunity."

Opponents promise a strong fight.

"I've been here 28 years and I haven't seen such a united front by faculty and students over a single issue like this before," said Stan Peters, Laney's athletic director and football coach.

Despite the administration's backing, students opposed to selling the land are confident their peers and community leaders will rally long and hard against any sale.

Kaiser has intentions of building a new medical center at the Laney site by 1998. The property is bordered by East 10th Street, Fifth Avenue, East Eighth Street and the Lake Merritt channel.

"A lot of students here come from the inner city and they're not really able to see many grassy areas and open pastures," said student body president Young. "When they come to school they appreciate the open space."

"If the land is sold, it's gone forever."

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# Kaiser eyes Laney athletic space for new hospital

By David D. Saltonstall

STAFF WRITER

OAKLAND — The size, location and accessibility of Laney College's athletic complex make it the best place to build a new \$400 million Kaiser Permanente Hospital, according to a new study commissioned by Alameda County's Economic Development Advisory Board.

The report, written by BPA Economics Inc. of Oakland, reviewed seven proposed sites for

the planned 300- to 450-bed facility and put Laney at the top of the list, despite some student opposition to the plan.

Chief among the site's advantages would be its proximity to public transportation, the lack of any major environmental problems, and the prospect of creating a strong educational link between the college and Kaiser, the report said.

"The opportunity of Laney operating a partnership with Kai-

ser in training and placing Laney students in health vocations is an exciting one," the report said. "It could provide well-paying employment careers to Oakland's disadvantaged flatlands residents who have looked to Laney as their campus."

The new facility is being planned as a replacement to Kaiser's aging Oakland Medical Center on MacArthur Boulevard, which would be redesigned and used as office space for doctors.

If built, the new complex could generate up to \$412 million in economic activity every year, the report said.

Staffing at the two Kaiser facilities would likely approach 3,200 full- and part-time employees, representing a 7 percent increase over the hospital's current level, the report said.

Trustees of Laney College are holding hearings this month on the proposal, which is opposed by the Student Council.



# ~~REPORT CONT~~ Kaiser prefers Laney College site to build on

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**By Craig Staats**  
STAFF WRITER

OAKLAND — In addition to Laney College's athletic fields, Kaiser Permanente officials are considering six other sites for a possible expansion of the health plan's Oakland medical facilities in Oakland and Emeryville.

The possible sites, under study by the Alameda County Economic Development Advisory Board, include properties in downtown Oakland, Eastmont Mall, Port of Oakland land, the MacArthur-Broadway Center across from Kaiser's existing medical complex, Pardee Drive near the Oakland airport and Emeryville.

"With a project of this magnitude, we can't keep all our eggs in one basket," Kaiser spokesman Ron Treleven said Wednesday.

The Laney site — a 24-acre parcel that includes the college's football and baseball fields — remains Kaiser Permanente's preferred choice to build a new medical center because it is close to freeways, BART and AC Transit lines and Kaiser's client base, Treleven said.

However, the Alameda County economic development advisory group's study represents an attempt to objectively weigh other options, officials said. A report summarizing the pros and cons of the possible sites is due Jan. 29, said Bruce Kern, Alameda County's economic development director.

Oakland City Council member Natalie Bayton said she would prefer Kaiser replace its medical center on a six-block, downtown Oakland site once earmarked for the city's moribund "Oakland East Bay Galleria" shopping center.

That project, planned for a site between 17th and 20th Street and San Pablo Avenue and Broadway, has languished for years.

Bayton said Laney College has a major role to play in expanded job training opportunities and allowing Kaiser to locate there could limit the college's future growth.

# Laney-Kaiser partnership: An exciting idea

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**W**HEN the Peralta Community College District Board of Trustees meets tomorrow night, it is scheduled to discuss whether to declare surplus the Laney College athletic field just east of Lake Merritt in Oakland. The board should do it.

That vote would open the way to take the next of several legally required steps before it can consider selling the 24-acre property to Kaiser Permanente, which would like to build a new Kaiser-Oakland hospital on the site.

This is not a quick and easy decision, mind you. The Peralta district consists of Laney and Merritt Colleges in Oakland, Vista College in Berkeley and the College of Alameda. The Laney field is an important community resource to Oakland student athletes.

During various parts of the year it is used by the Laney College football and baseball teams, by an inner city track club for children, by the Oakland Public Schools for citywide athletic events and by the Major League Baseball Scouting Bureau for clinics and an annual tryout camp for pro baseball hopefuls. The site also includes a child care center.

But Kaiser's value to the entire Oakland community is even greater. The city's largest health care provider — and part of the largest health maintenance organization in the nation — Kaiser serves about 176,500 Oakland residents. Kaiser-Oakland's 250 physicians and 2,200 other full-time hospital workers makes it one of the city's largest employers.

The Laney College site is Kaiser's first choice because of its central location and easy access by public and private transportation. The new 250-bed medical

center would replace Kaiser's current hospital at MacArthur Boulevard and Broadway, which would remain in use as an outpatient facility.

But Kaiser is also looking at three other Oakland sites and one in Emeryville. Characteristically, Emeryville is going after Kaiser hard. If Emeryville gets Kaiser, it won't be the first time Oakland's feisty little neighbor has stolen the ball.

What makes the Laney site even more exciting is the suggestion by Kaiser that the hospital and the college enter into an educational partnership. The possibility of students taking health courses at Laney and applying what they've learned right down the street at Kaiser is one the Peralta District should jump on.

Despite these intriguing possibilities, some opposition is being expressed. The loss of the field as visual open recreational space and the potential inconvenience to Peralta student-athletes are certainly important considerations. But the football team would be relocated to Merritt College in the Oakland hills and the baseball team to College of Alameda across the Estuary. Students already come from all around to play on the teams. Public transit can get them to the other campuses, too. And the child care center could be relocated nearby.

The board's greatest problem would not be how to relocate the field's clients, but how to use the revenue the sale would generate. Trustees would have to thoroughly and publicly review the options for how the money could be spent.

But what a nice problem to have. It's not every day that a major private concern like Kaiser wants to buy something a struggling public entity like Peralta can sell. We say get started on the discussion now.



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# Why the big hurry to sell Laney playing field?

*PERALTA COMM. COLLEGE*

**P**OLITICIANS are usually criticized for acting too slowly on issues that concern the public. They tell us it takes time for the democratic process, which calls for involving the public, conducting studies and writing reports, to work.

That's why it's unusual to find some trustees of the Peralta Community College Board so eager to act hastily on the offer of Kaiser Hospital to buy the Laney College playing field at East 10th and Fallon Streets for a new hospital building. *KINETIC FIELD*

Kaiser Hospital has proposed a March 1 deadline for the deal to be wrapped up. But Kaiser should understand that some things — like changing the Laney campus forever — take longer than a few weeks to decide.

There's no doubt Kaiser has known for months its intentions to go after the Laney College site, which includes the athletic fields and child care center. But Laney College didn't know. Students, faculty and administration were caught by surprise when the plan became public in late November 1992.

**E**VEN the president of Laney College, Odell Johnson, was stunned. Since then, as quickly as possible, a Laney task force has been gathering information to share with the community. But the problem is, says Johnson, "The time frame for a board decision may not allow for the luxury."

It shouldn't be a "luxury" for people to be allowed time to find out what their government is doing to their lives. That's why Johnson is worried that the



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elected trustees might make the most important decision they have ever made for Laney College without thorough consideration by the public.

The college president says he feels as most Oaklanders do. He doesn't want Kaiser to relocate in

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Emeryville, where Kaiser says it will go if Laney turns down its offer. But of course his major concern, as it should be, are Laney students.

So far, this issue has been highly charged, politically and emotionally, with relevant facts noticeably absent.

What we've heard is — the sky will fall if the Laney playing field is not sold to Kaiser and the hospital moves to Emeryville.

The Economic Development

Advisory Board of Alameda County (EDAB) issued a report, which concluded the only significant job benefit to Oakland's poor community that could result from the Kaiser relocation is the health vocational training programs Kaiser has proposed as a trade-off for buying the Laney property. But so far there's only a sketchy syllabus for the vocational course from Kaiser, and nothing from Laney, so there's no way to evaluate its possible benefits to the students.

**T**HE EDAB report says 27 percent of Kaiser Hospital's staff live in Oakland, and most would continue to do so if the hospital relocated to Emeryville. As for taxes, neither colleges or hospitals pay them.

The Peralta Board of Trustees is said to be split 3-3-1 on whether to declare the Laney playing field "surplus," a first step in the legal process government agencies must follow before selling the public's property.

Before covering over a green field the entire community enjoys and the students use for athletic activity, the Peralta

trustees should get out of the fast lane and let the democratic process work the way it's supposed to — with everyone involved. What's the hurry?

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*Peggy Stinnett's column appears in The Oakland Tribune on Wednesdays and Sundays.*

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**William Wong is off today.**

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# Laney site top choice for hospital

MAR 17 1993

By Craig Staats  
STAFF WRITER

OAKLAND — In a decision that ups the ante for Oakland officials, Kaiser Permanente has narrowed the list of sites for a new 300-bed medical center to just two locations — a parcel at Oakland's Laney College and Emeryville's defunct Del Monte cannery.

Although Kaiser says Laney is its preferred site, the move pits Oakland and Emeryville in direct competition for an economic plum that could be worth as much as \$412 million a year in direct benefits, said Oakland city officials.

Peralta Community College District trustees are expected to consider next week whether to declare Laney's 24-acre athletic fields site as surplus — a first step in selling it to Kaiser.

Kaiser wants to build a state-of-the-art medical center to replace its flagship 24-year-old hospital at MacArthur Boulevard and Broadway, which would remain as an outpatient center under the expansion plan.

The proposed sale is under fire from a coalition of Laney College students and faculty, people living near the college and Oakland City Council member Natalie Bayton (West Oakland), who is angry that Oakland officials have not explored other possible sites in the city.

Bayton, whose council district includes Laney, said instead of trying to assist Kaiser's expansion at Laney, the city ought to study other Oakland sites, including blocks near the downtown Emporium store where city officials tried in vain to develop a shopping mall in the 1980s.

"As a city, we have got to stop grabbing for the obvious," Bayton said. "I think there are other locations that are preferable to the Laney site."

A Kaiser expansion at Laney could curtail the college's ability to grow, Bayton said. Other council members, however, said the city cannot afford to lose the home hospital of the nation's largest health maintenance organization.

"If we can't retain business, we can't attract them," said Council member Nate Miley (Eastmont-Seminary).

Miley agreed, though, that Kaiser ought to look more at other possibilities, including the Oakland Naval Hospital, which is on the military's new base closure hit list.

The new medical center, with a projected 1998 opening, would include medical offices for 150 personnel and parking for 1,500 cars. Kaiser also wants space to eventually expand to 450 beds.



# *PERALTA COMM COLLEGE* Laney plan deserves support

MAR 11, 1993

By John Russo

**K**AISER Permanente proposes to build a new, larger Kaiser Oakland Hospital on land adjacent to Laney College. This proposal is an example of what environmentalists call "infill development."

Citizens who are concerned with Oakland's and the Bay Area's long-term environmental health should support this proposal for three reasons:

First, Kaiser's new hospital would be within walking distance of the Lake Merritt BART station. Environmentally sound planning for our city's future dictates that we concentrate development, especially human service facilities such as hospitals, in close proximity to existing public transportation.

If we are serious about getting people out of their cars, and thereby protecting the quality of our air, we must encourage people to use public transit and leave their cars at home.

The combined Kaiser Hospital-Laney College complex will be even more environmentally efficient if the Peralta trustees and Kaiser have the foresight to incorporate into the project a joint child care center, open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Laney students studying for careers in the medical field would be able to travel from their homes to

## The new Kaiser Hospital will serve Oakland's economic well-being.

one location with their children, for class, work and child care. This would minimize traffic congestion — not to mention stress.

Second, however, we should be realistic and accept the fact that not everyone will leave their cars at home. Accordingly, construction and increased density is particularly appropriate in areas not only close to public transportation but to existing highways as well.

**K**AISER'S proposed site is near Interstate 880. Moreover, keeping human service facilities near highways will minimize the residential traffic congestion and air quality degradation which would result from a location further from the highway.

Third, Oakland can reap economic benefits by keeping the hospital.

Not only short-term construction jobs but retaining existing health-care jobs in Oakland, an in-

dispensable step in any revitalization plan for our economically ailing city. Spill-over benefits include an improved tax base and the chance for expanded residential and retail growth in the general downtown area.

**O**F greatest long-term importance, however, is the real potential for cooperation between Kaiser and Laney for job creation. Kaiser's proposal, assuming it is negotiated in the best interest of the Peralta Community College district, will mean quality jobs at viable wages for Oakland's young people in an industry which will not be exported overseas.

The new Kaiser Hospital will serve Oakland's economic well-being and, therefore, the environmental well-being of our region as a whole.

As the geographic center of the Bay Area, most of the region's major public and rail transportation resources are centered in or accessible to Oakland.

That Oakland has become the economic "hole-in-the-doughnut" of the Bay Area has degraded the environment of the region and has encouraged sprawl instead of urban density and green belt preservation.

For Oakland and the Bay Area to develop in an environmentally sound way, we must support infill development projects like the proposed Kaiser Hospital at Laney.

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# Laney-Kaiser deal showdown nears

MAR 22 1993

## Key day of debate Tuesday

By David K. Li  
STAFF WRITER

OAKLAND — After five months of sometimes tedious but often raucous debate, the future of 24 acres at Laney College and a proposed hospital at that site will be settled soon.

Kaiser Permanente wants to buy the land where Laney athletic fields now stand and build a new medical center. The Peralta Community College District has set itself an April 13 deadline on whether to proceed with Kaiser's proposal, and Tuesday marks a key day of debate.

Laney College President Odell Johnson and district Chancellor Robert Scannell are expected to present recommendations during Tuesday night's trustees meeting. A Laney College task force is expected to come out with its findings and suggestions the same day.

College trustees are leaning in favor of a vote next month, but it is uncertain whether there are enough votes to win the required two-thirds majority needed to sell the property.

"Since I first recommended

### The home stretch

The debate over 24 acres of Laney College athletic fields is finally drawing to a close. The Peralta Community College District Board of Trustees is expected to make a decision soon. Here are some key, upcoming dates.

**Tuesday, March 23:** A Laney College task force, campus President Odell Johnson and district Chancellor Robert Scannell all make final presentations on the proposal. Board meets and could set vote for April 13.

**Tuesday, April 13:** Potential trustee vote on whether to declare the land as "surplus property," triggering negotiations with Kaiser. This meeting is the final one to discuss issue.



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that (trustees) go after this, we've had a lot of discussions and questions. That has only served to strengthen my recommendation," said Scannell, who has backed Kaiser's plan from the start.

The property, which holds the school's football, baseball and other athletic facilities and a child-care center, is worth at least \$23 million, district officials have said.

Kaiser's 250-bed medical center on Broadway and MacArthur has served Oakland residents for a half-century but the foundation wants to build a new hospital by 1998 that could better handle increasingly complex medical procedures.

District administrators have argued that a neighboring medical center would enhance Laney College's academic and vocational offerings. Opponents disagree,

saying the advantages have been over-represented and do not outweigh the open space the land provides in the urban landscape.

When district trustees meet Tuesday, it's possible that the board's majority will ask Scannell to draft a resolution to declare the Laney fields as "surplus property" — the first major step to selling or leasing the land.

Opponents concede that at least four of seven trustees are leaning toward support for a Kaiser deal and they have the muscle to get a vote called on April 13. The difficulty for land-deal backers is that it takes a two-thirds board majority — five votes — to declare property as surplus.

Laney College Athletic Director and football coach Stan Pe-

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**Susan Jackson**  
— WRITER  
— AMEDA — A year ago

## Report 13 Deadline

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...student Kim Kean, two  
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...fields, both said they're con-  
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...ing their way, which would be  
just enough for victory.

"You never know what's going  
to happen, but we feel OK about  
this," Kean said. "Tuesday will  
definitely be important."

Peters and Kean have helped  
line up an impressive list of open  
space, student and organized la-  
bor groups to fight any land deal.

But proponents of a Kaiser  
deal are in the process of lining  
up equally powerful allies in the  
Oakland City Council — spurred  
in part about the fear that the  
city could lose another one of its  
revered institutions.

The City Council is consider-  
ing a resolution that would en-  
dorse the use of the Laney  
College site for the new hospital.  
Councilman Frank Ogawa said  
he supports the resolution draft-  
ed by his colleague Ignacio De La  
Fuente.

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Staff writer Paul Grabowicz  
contributed to this report.



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# Council backs Kaiser expansion

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■ But Laney College president urges trustees to reject idea of selling campus land to hospital

By David K. Li  
STAFF WRITER

OAKLAND — The debate over Kaiser Permanente's proposal to build a new hospital on land owned by Laney College raged from one end of town to the other Tuesday night.

A divided Oakland City Council voted 6-3 to support Kaiser's expansion at the Laney site, saying it was important to send a signal that it wanted the hospital to remain in Oakland.

Employing his own brand of shuttle diplomacy, Oakland City Councilman Ignacio De La Fuente left the session and raced across town to urge Peralta district trustees, who were holding their own meeting, to open sales talks with Kaiser.

Councilwoman Natalie Bayton of West Oakland protested that the action was premature, but she failed to win enough votes for a substitute motion that would have supported Kaiser remaining in Oakland without endorsing the Laney site.

Meanwhile, in his most definitive statement yet on the issue, Laney College President Odell Johnson urged district trustees to reject proposals aimed at selling campus land to Kaiser

for a new hospital. Johnson had previously been noncommittal, saying he wanted more information before forming an opinion. Tuesday, however, he said the benefits of a nearby hospital do not outweigh its many disadvantages.

Even though its 250-bed medical center in North Oakland has served the area for 50 years, Kaiser is set to build a new medical center by 1998 — preferably at Laney College, the foundation has said. Laney College's football and baseball fields and a childcare center are on the land that's worth at least \$23 million, officials have said.

Johnson said Laney would lose students who would turn away from the college because of traffic concerns.



# Hospital, college in tug-of-war

■ Valuable building site is bone of contention

By David K. Li  
STAFF WRITER

OAKLAND — An end to the months-long debate over the Laney College athletic fields remains nowhere in sight as district officials scramble to hire consultants for another look at Kaiser Permanente's building proposal.

Since November, the Peralta Community College District's Board of Trustees has weighed the controversial plan, which would sell 24 acres at Laney College to Kaiser for construction of a new hospital.

But the district's self-imposed April 13 deadline for an answer evaporated Tuesday night when the board voted 5-2 to support trustee Amey Stone and her proposal to hire outside help for further study. There now is no timeline for the issue to come for a vote.

"I didn't consider all the facts to be in," Stone said Wednesday, adding that the district staff does not have the expertise needed to properly evaluate the proposal.

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Under Stone's approved plan, district administrators are asked to help the board hire two consultants — experts on land use and on medical education programs.

Across town Tuesday, a divided Oakland City Council voted 6-3 to support Kaiser's expansion at the Laney site, with members saying it was important to send a signal that they wanted the hospital to remain in Oakland.

Trustees who support the Kaiser proposal could have brought the issue for an April 13 vote on declaring the land "surplus

property" — the first administrative step toward selling it. However, it was clear they lacked five votes needed to support the declaration, which requires a two-thirds majority on the seven-member board.

Stone is seen to hold the potential swing vote, and without her fifth vote firmly in place, the board majority supporting a sale followed her request.

Kaiser spokesman Ron Treleven did not say Wednesday how the board's action will affect Kaiser's bid.

"We have not had a chance to talk about this internally. I do not have an answer for you," he said.

Kaiser's 250-bed hospital in North Oakland has served the area for a half century, but Kai-

ser is set to build a new medical center by 1998 — its top choice being the Laney College site.

Laney College's football and baseball fields and a childcare center are on land that's worth at least \$23 million, district officials have said.

Since the proposal came out in November, district administrators have said a nearby hospital would boost Laney College's academic and vocational program. Opponents argue that the advantages have been over-represented and that the community needs the open space.

"I believe that all arguments have been made, but the board wants more information. Arguments and information are not the same," Howard Perdue, the district's dean of admissions and marketing, said Wednesday.

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# Peralta rejects Kaiser's proposal

*PERALTA COMM COLLEGE*  
■ College trustees don't want HMO to build new hospital on Laney campus

By David K. Li  
STAFF WRITER

*- KATHLEEN FLEW*  
Bringing an abrupt end to five months of tumultuous debate, Peralta College trustees killed a proposal Tuesday night that could have allowed Kaiser Permanente to construct a new hospital on 24 acres of Laney College land.

The board voted 5-1, with one abstention, to back trustee Amey Stone's proposal to spike any potential land sale — a proposal first pitched by Kaiser in November.

Kaiser's 250-bed hospital in North Oakland, which has served the East

Bay for 50 years, is scheduled to be replaced by a new medical center by 1998.

The Laney property was Kaiser's No. 1 choice for the new center.

"You can call Emeryville the frontrunner now," said Kaiser spokesman Ron Treleven, referring to Kaiser's talks with Emeryville officials about building the hospital in that city. "We're disappointed, but we thank the job that the board, the schools and the students took in hearing our point."

It has been clear for weeks that Stone's would be the swing vote in approving or killing the deal. Trustees Susan Duncan, Alan Yee, Lynn Baranco and Tom Brougham had been solidly in favor of a potential sale while Darrell Carter and Dorothy Gifford were against it.

Five votes would have been required

to declare the land "surplus property," the first administrative step toward selling it.

But Tuesday night Stone committed herself against declaring the land surplus because Kaiser informed her that Laney's 24-acre site was the only one it wanted and there could be no compromise.

After Stone announced she was firmly against the deal, Baranco and Brougham said it was time to bring the issue to a close.

"When we realize we cannot go any further, we owe it (to Kaiser), as a courtesy, to say it," Brougham said.

Yee abstained while Duncan, the proposal's most vocal supporter, was the sole holdout. Duncan angrily cited Stone, Gifford and Carter for exercising a political vendetta in killing the proposal.



# Trustee led APR 15, 1993 opposition to hospital

**By Susan Jackson**  
STAFF WRITER

It was a painful decision, but Amey Stone felt it was in the best interests of Laney College to scotch plans to allow a new hospital to be built on college land.

Alameda's trustee led the charge Tuesday when the Peralta Community College District's board nixed the land lease deal. After months of discussion, the board voted 5-1 to drop tentative plans to lease 24 acres of Laney land to Kaiser Permanente, which wanted it to build a hospital. *ATHLETIC FIELD*

"We have an educational mission," said Stone, who was reelected to a four-year term in November. "I had hoped Kaiser could remain in Oakland, but my priorities have to be with the Peralta College district."

The college needs a real campus, she added, noting that the land Kaiser officials wanted to build on includes an athletic field, a parking lot and administrative offices.

Stone also expressed disapproval of Peralta Chancellor Robert Scannell's handling of the affair by not voting to extend his contract.

Stone was angry that Scannell had withheld information about the Kaiser deal from the board.

Scannell met with Kaiser officials for a year before informing the board. In November, he asked the board to consider selling a Laney athletic field and adjacent property to Kaiser for \$24 million.

He did not tell the board that the property cannot be sold — it would have to be leased.